






Kia Carens

RATING	SCORE	Front: 9.2	Side: 15	Seatbelt reminder: 1	Pole: 2
 ADULT OCCUPANT ★★☆☆☆	27				
 CHILD OCCUPANT ★★☆☆☆	34				
 PEDESTRIAN ★☆☆☆☆	9				

Adult occupant protection



Frontal impact driver



Frontal impact passenger



Side impact driver

■	GOOD
■	ADEQUATE
■	MARGINAL
■	WEAK
■	POOR

Child restraints

18 month old Child	Britax Roemer BabySafe ISOFIX Plus, Rearward facing
3 year old Child	Britax-Römer Duo Plus ISOFIX, Forward facing

Pedestrian protection



Pedestrian protection

■	GOOD
■	ADEQUATE
■	MARGINAL

Safety equipment

Front seatbelt pretensioners	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Front seatbelt load limiters	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Driver frontal airbag	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Front passenger frontal airbag	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Side body airbags	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Side head airbags	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Driver knee airbag	<input type="checkbox"/>
ISOfix front	<input type="checkbox"/>
ISOfix rear	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Car details

Tested model	Kia Carens 2.0 EX, LHD
Body type	5 door MPV
Year of publication	2007
Kerb weight	1519kg
VIN from which rating applies	KNEFG52127K092888

Comments

Front impact

Although the driver's footwell did not rupture, there was extensive deformation and the clutch pedal moved rearward by 175mm, leading to a weak rating for protection of the driver's lower leg, feet and ankles. Structures in the dashboard presented a risk of injury to the knees and femurs of the driver and passenger.

Side impact

The Carens scored maximum points based on the dummy responses in the side impact and pole tests. However, the driver's door became unlatched in the side impact and the car was penalised for this.

Child occupant

The passenger airbag can be disabled to allow a rearward-facing child restraint to be used in that seating position. However, inadequate information is provided to the driver about the status of the airbag. The label warning against using a rearward-facing child restraint in the passenger's seat was in English only and was on only one side of the sun visor, so it would not be visible at all times. The presence of ISOFIX anchorages in the rear outboard seats was not clearly marked.

Pedestrian

The leading edge of the bonnet scored no points for the protection offered to pedestrians' legs, as did the bonnet for the protection offered to adults' heads. However, the bumper performed better, scoring maximum points.